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SUBJECT: DISCUSSIONS WITH FRENCH ON CONSUMER/PRODUCER
DIALOGUE

1. IN LENGTHY DISCUSSION WITH FROMENT-MEURICE, I
PRESENTED IN DETAIL U.S. POSITION ON RESUMPTION OF THE
CONSUMER-PRODUCER DIALOGUE. FROMENT-MEURICE DESCRIBED
FUNDAMENTAL ELEMENTS IN DRAFT LETTER WHICH FRENCH
HAD PORPOSED SENDING TO PARTICIPANTS AS BSSIS FOR A
RESUMPTION OF THE PREPCON. HOWEVER, AFTER FURTHER
NEGOTIATION FROMENT-MEURICE INDICATED THAT HE WAS
PREPARED TO ACCEPT OUR POSITION ON ALL FUNDAMENTAL

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ISSUES AS REFLECTED IN MY MEMO TO YOU OF JULY 16,

SUBJECT ONLY TO OBTAINING APPROVAL FROM SAUVENARGUES.

2. THIS CALLS FOR THE GROUP OF TEN MEETING ON OCTOBER 6 WITH THE GROUP OF 27 AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL WITHIN THIRTY TO SIXTY DAYS FOR LAUNCHING OF THE THREE COMMISSIONS ON ENERGY, COMMODITIES AND DEVELOPMENT. COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP WOULD BE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF FIFTEEN WITH SELECTION ON THE BASIS OF "DEGREE OF INTEREST AND THE DEGREE OF SIGNIFICANCE ATTACHED TO THEIR PARTICIPATION WHICH WOULD EXPEDITE AND ASSURE RESPONSIBLE PERFORMANCE OF THE COMMISSION." THE GROUP OF 27 WOULD RECONVENE AFTER TWELVE MONTHS TO RECEIVE PROGRESS REPORTS FROM THE THREE COMMISSIONS AND TO DETERMINE WHAT IF ANY FURTHER ACTION WOULD BE DESIRABLE.

3. I RECEIVED FROM FROMENT-MEURICE ASSURANCE THAT THE FRENCH LETTER WOULD NOT BE RELEASED UNTIL I HAD HAD A CHANCE TO BRIEF YOU PERSONALLY ON MY CONVERSATION WITH HIM, WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO DO IMMEDIATELY UPON MY

RETURN. APPARENTLY IT IS NOW THEIR INTENT TO RELEASE THE LETTER BY THE END OF NEXT WEEK AND I BELIEVE WE SHOULD SEND TO SAUVENARGUES OUR RECONFIRMATION OF THE SCENARIO WHICH WE COULD ACCEPT WITH A REQUEST THAT INVITATIONS BE ISSUED ON THAT BASIS. THIS IS IMPORTANT IF WE ARE TO RETAIN THE INITIATIVE IN THIS CRITICAL EFFORT. GAMMON UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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